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SUBJ: RAZAK VISIT

1. DESPITE SEVERAL STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS PROTESTING MALAYSIAN POLICY OF DETENTION WITHOUT TRIAL, VISIT OF PM RAZAK HAS BEEN GENERALLY SUCCESSFUL. JOINT RAZAK/ROWLING PRESS STATEMENT, RELEASED OCTOBER 14, NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THAT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES CONTINUED TO PROGRESS AND TO REMAIN FREE OF ANY SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES. RAZAK INDICATED GOM WOULD SUPPORT GNZ INITIATIVE FOR NUCLEAR WEAPONS FREE ZONE IN SOUTH PACIFIC.

2. STATEMENT REAFFIRMS DESIRE OF BOTH GOVERNMENTS TO MAINTAIN FRIENDLY AND COOPERATIVE RELATIONS WITH
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ALL THE COUNTRIES OF INDO-CHINA AND NOTES

CHANGING CIRCUMSTANCES IN INDO-CHINA APPEAR TO FAVOR
EARLY ACHIEVEMENT OF OBJECTIVE OF ESTABLISHING SOUTH EAST
ASIA AS A ZONE OF PEACE, FREEDOM AND NEUTRALITY (ZPFN).
COMMITMENT TO FIVE POWER DEFENSE ARRANGEMENT
REAFFIRMED AS BOTH AGREED ORGANIZATION RETAINED USEFUL-
NESS AS AN INSTRUMENT OF CONSULTATION AND COOPERATION
AMONG MEMBER COUNTRIES. TWO PRIME MINISTERS WELCOMED
PROGRESS BEING MADE IN DETAILED EXPERT LEVEL
DISCUSSIONS ON MEASURES OF PRACTICAL COOPERATION
BETWEEN ASEAN AND NEW ZEALAND.

3. MALAYSIAN APPRECIATION FOR EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES
PROVIDED BY GNZ WAS NOTED IN STATEMENT ALONG WITH GNZ
INDICATION NUMBER OF MALAYSIANS ALLOWED TO STUDY HERE
(PRESENTLY APPROXIMATELY 2,000) MIGHT BE CUT BACK.
NOTING INCREASING NUMBERS OF FOREIGN STUDENTS WISHING
TO STUDY IN NEW ZEALAND, "MR. ROWLING INFORMED TUN
RAZAK THAT THE GNZ HAD DECIDED TO GIVE URGENT
CONSIDERATION TO WAYS OF INSURING MOST EQUITABLE
ALLOCATION TO OVERSEAS STUDENTS OF THE PLACES AVAILABLE
AT NEW ZEALAND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS." TEXT OF
STATEMENT BEING POUCHED DEPARTMENT AND KUALA LUMPUR.

4. MAJOR TOPIC COVERED IN RAZAK SPEECH TO INSTITUTE
OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS WAS NEUTRALIZATION OF SOUTHEAST
ASIA. RAZAK SAID, "WE BELIEVE THAT THE SPEEDY PHASING
IN OF NEUTRALIZATION IN SOUTHEAST ASIA WOULD
INSURE THE CONSOLIDATION OF PEACE INTO A REAL AND
PERMANENT PEACE FOR THE REGION -- FREE FROM THE
THREAT AND INTERFERENCE OF OUTSIDE FORCES." QUERIED
CONCERNING EFFECT COMMUNIST INDOCHINA WOULD HAVE ON
ZPNF, RAZAK NOTED CONCERN EXPRESSED BY SOME, BUT
SAID, "IT IS SINGULARLY STRIKING TO ME TO NOTE THAT
MOST OF THIS EXPRESSION OF PESSIMISM AND APPREHENSION
COMES FROM COUNTRIES OUTSIDE THE REGION." IN REPLY
TO QUESTION RAZAK SAID THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE OF
DIRECT PEKING SUPPORT FOR MALAYSIAN INSURGENCY. HE
HAD BEEN ASSURED BY BOTH MAO TSE-TUNG AND CHOU EN LAI
THAT PRC'S POLICY WAS ONE OF RESPECT FOR INTEGRITY
AND INDEPENDENCE OF MALAYSIA.
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